Wisconsin Next Generation Assessment Task Force

December 2, 2008, 9:00 am – 12:30 pm Panel of Presenters

State	Presenter	Key State Assessment Features
Indiana	Wes Bruce Assistant Superintendent for Accreditation, Assessment and Licensing	 "Core 40" high school end-of-course exams/graduation requirements Phasing out graduation test, adding Algebra I and English 10 course exams New voluntary computer-based teaching/ benchmark assessment tool K-8 Paper/pencil summative exams 3-8 grades Reading diagnostic exams K-2 grades
Michigan	Joseph Martineau Director, Assessment and Accountability	 Michigan Merit Exam – High school assessment with ACT test as one of three components; all students receive scholarship if they pass exam High school end-of-course exams Paper/pencil summative exams grades 3rd -9th grades
Minnesota	Christy Hovanetz Lassila Assistant Commissioner, Accountability and Improvement	 Phasing in graduation exam requirement of Writing -9th, Reading – 10th, Mathematics – 11th. Statewide purchase of EXPLORE/PLAN, not used for accountability Paper/pencil reading/mathematics 3-8 grades. Computer-based science exam 5th/8th grades Coordinating multi-state pilot effort to share test items to reduce costs
Nebraska	Pat Roschewski Director, Statewide Assessment	 Nebraska has a rich history of using district-based assessments, determined by districts and approved by the state. Nebraska is now looking at finding a balance between district assessments and large-scale tests to meet NCLB requirements.
Oregon	Tony Alpert Director, Assessment and Accountability	 Online assessments grades 3-8 and high school Multiple opportunities to test All 10th graders also take the PSAT test (preliminary SAT), which is not used for accountability